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AT the Court at St. *James's* the 2d Day of *March*, 1716.

PRESENT,

The King's moſt Excellent Majeſty in Council.

This Day the Right Honourable John Smith, Eſq; was, by his Majeſty's Command, ſworn one of His Majeſty's moſt Honourable Privy Council, and took his Place at the Board accordingly.

By the KING,

A PROCLAMATION,

For prohibiting Commerce with SUEDEN.

GEORGE R.

WHereas in and by an Act of this preſent Seſſion of Parliament, intituled, An Act to enable His Majeſty effectually to prohibit or reſtrain Commerce with Sueden, reciting therein, that upon the diſcovery of evil Practices, which had been carried on by certain Miniſters of Sueden, to diſturb the Peace and Tranquillity of this Kingdom, it might be judged neceſſary by us to prohibit or reſtrain, in part or in the whole, the Commerce between our Subjects and thoſe of Sueden; it is therefore enacted, That it ſhould and might be lawful for us, by one or more Proclamation or Proclamations to be iſſued at any Time or Times before the twentieth Day of March, which will be in the Year of our Lord one thouſand ſeven hundred and ſeventeen, to prohibit or reſtrain all and every Perſon and Perſons, Natives and Foreigners, Bodies Politick and Corporate whatſoever, to ſhip, export, carry, or ſend, or cauſe or procure to be ſhipped, exported, carried or ſent, directly or indirectly, from or out of the Kingdoms of Great Britain and Ireland, or any the Dominions thereunto belonging, unto or for the Kingdom of Sueden, or any the Dominions or Countries under the Power of the King of Sueden, any Goods, Wares, Commodities, or Merchandizes whatſoever, or ſuch particular Goods, Wares, Commodities, or Merchandizes, as in ſuch Proclamation or Proclamations ſhould be enumerated, deſcribed and forbidden (whether the ſame, or any of them, be or be not of the Growth, Product, or Manufacture of Great Britain, Ireland, and the Dominions thereunto belonging, or any of them) and alſo to prohibit or reſtrain all and every ſuch Perſon and Perſons, Bodies Politick and Corporate whatſoever, to import or bring, or cauſe or procure to be imported or brought, directly or indirectly, by way of Merchandize into Great Britain, Ireland, or any of the Dominions thereunto belonging, any Goods, Wares or Commodities whatſoever, of the Growth, Product or Manufacture of Sueden, or any of the Dominions under the Power of the King of Sueden, being mixt or unmixt with the Goods of any other Country, or ſuch particular Goods, Wares, or Commodities of Sueden, or of any of the Dominions under the Power of the King of Sueden, mixt or unmixt, as aforeſaid, as in ſuch Proclamation or Proclamations ſhould be enumerated, deſcribed and forbidden, for and during ſuch Time and Times, not exceeding one Year, to be reckoned from the twentieth Day of this Inſtant March, and from thence to the end of the then next Seſſion of Parliament, under the Penalties in the ſaid Act mentioned, and in ſuch Manner and Form as in and by ſuch Proclamation and Proclamations reſpectively ſhould be preſcribed. But by the ſaid Act no Perſon or Perſons whatſoever is or are to incur or ſuffer any Penalty or Forfeiture, by virtue of that Act, or of any Proclamation to be iſſued thereupon, for or by reaſon of his or their importing or bringing, or cauſing or procuring to be imported or brought into Great Britain or Ireland, or any the Dominions thereunto belonging, any Goods, Wares or Commodities whatſoever, of the Growth, Product or Manufacture of Sueden, or of any of the Dominions under the Power of the King of Sueden, which are, or at any Time or Times, on or before the fifteenth Day of April, one thouſand ſeven hundred and ſeventeen, ſhall be laden or put on board any Ship or Veſſel in Sueden, or other foreign Parts, to be brought into Great Britain, Ireland, or any the Dominions thereunto belonging, ſo as due Proof be made upon Oath, that ſuch Goods, Wares, or Commodities, were ſo laden or put on board on or before the ſaid fifteenth Day of April. And we judging it neceſſary for the preſent, to prohibit the Commerce between our Subjects and thoſe of Sueden, have thought fit, by and with the Advice of our Privy-Council, to iſſue this our Royal Proclamation; and we do hereby, under the Penalties in the ſaid Act, ſtrictly prohibit and forbid all and every Perſon and Perſons, Natives and Foreigners, Bodies Politick and Corporate whatſoever, before the end of the next Seſſion of Parliament, which ſhall be after the twentieth Day of March, one thouſand ſeven hundred and ſeventeen, to ſhip, export, carry or ſend, or cauſe or procure to be ſhipped, exported, carried, or ſent, directly or indirectly, from or out of the Kingdoms of Great Britain and Ireland, or any the Dominions thereunto belonging, unto or for the Kingdom of Sueden, or any the Dominions or Countries under the Power of the King of Sueden, any Goods, Wares, Commodities, or Merchandizes whatſoever, or to import or bring, or cauſe or procure to be imported or brought, directly or indirectly, by way of Merchandize, into Great Britain, Ireland, or any the Dominions thereunto belonging, any Goods, Wares, or Commodities whatſoever, of the Growth, Product, or Manufacture of Sueden, or any of the Dominions under the Power of the King of Sueden, mixt or unmixt with the Goods of any other Country, other than ſuch of the ſaid Goods, Wares, or Commodities, which are, or at any Time or Times, on or before the ſaid fifteenth Day of April, one thouſand ſeven hundred and ſeventeen, ſhall be laden or put on board any Ship or Veſſel in Sueden, or other foreign Parts, to be brought into Great Britain, Ireland, or any the Dominions thereunto belonging; unleſs we ſhall think fit, before the end of the next Seſſion of Parliament, which ſhall be after the ſaid twentieth Day of March, one thouſand ſeven hundred and ſeventeen, by our Royal Proclamation to open the Commerce between our Subjects and thoſe of Sueden, or to alter the Prohibitions herein contained.

Given at Our Court at St. *James's* the Second Day of March, 1716. In the Third Year of Our Reign.

God ſave the King.

St. James's, March 4. This Day the Proteſtant Diſſenting Miniſters of the ſeveral Denominations in and about the Cities of London and Weſtminſter, being introduced by the Right Honourable Mr. Secretary Stanhope, preſented the following humble Addreſs to His Majeſty.

To the King's moſt Excellent Majeſty,

The humble Addreſs of the Proteſtant Diſſenting Miniſters of the ſeveral Denominations in and about the Cities of London and Weſtminſter.

May it pleaſe Your Majeſty,

THO' we are very ambitious of profeſſing the Allegiance and Duty we owe to Your Majeſty on every Occaſion, yet we never make theſe Profeſſions with greater Readineſs and Alacrity, than when your Majeſty's Government is unhappily threaten'd with any Diſturbance at Home or from Abroad: Such Occaſions giving us the beſt Opportunity to expreſs that Zeal and Fidelity by which we are always deſirous to be diſtinguiſh'd.

As we offered up our conſtant Prayers to Almighty God for the Safety of your Majeſty's Perſon, while you was Abroad; and have ſince ſent up our humble Thanks for your Majeſty's ſafe Return to theſe your Dominions: So we reckon it our great Felicity, among the reſt of your faithful Subjects, that your Majeſty is in this your Kingdom, before a Rebellion, concerted between a reſtleſs Faction and ſome foreign Miniſters, was to break out.

We congratulate your Majeſty with all Humility on the Succeſs of your Councils Abroad, which tends to ſecure your Perſon and Government from the malici-